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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the “El Cajon Behavioral Health Center Renovation and Expansion” in Fiscal Year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the La Maestra Family Clinic Inc., dba La Maestra Community Health Centers, located at 4060 Fairmount Avenue, San Diego, CA 92105.

The funding would be used to improve access to primary health care and specialty care including behavioral health services and substance use disorder services (SUDS) for low-income, uninsured, and underinsured immigrant and refugee populations in the Southern California Border Region, specifically in El Cajon, CA, located in California’s 53rd Congressional District. La Maestra’s proposed project includes expansion, interior remodeling, and accessibility upgrades to the organization’s newly acquired 6,205 square foot building located at 181 Rea Avenue in El Cajon. For the proposed project, La Maestra will utilize the site to increase the number of Health Care for the Homeless (HCH), 330(h)-funded clinic sites, also known as the HOPE Clinic. The organization will expand access to high-quality culturally and linguistically competent behavioral health and substance use disorder services, including medication-assisted treatment, as well as integrated primary care with a focus on homeless individuals and their families.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Sara Jacobs
Member of Congress